

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2004-73-T - ORDER NO. 2009-2

JANUARY 8, 2009

IN RE: Application of Minute Man Movers, LLC,)	ORDER GRANTING
10621 Broad River Road, Irmo, South)	EXPANSION OF
Carolina 29063 (District 2) for Class E)	TERRITORY AND
(Household Goods) Certificate of Public)	AMENDING CLASS E
Convenience and Necessity for Operation of)	CERTIFICATE OF
Motor Vehicle Carrier)	PUBLIC CONVENIENCE
)	AND NECESSITY

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on an application to amend the scope of Minute Man Movers, LLC's ("Minute Man," the "Company," or "Applicant") operating authority. Minute Man's current operating authority under its Class E Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity includes Lexington, Richland, and Kershaw Counties.¹ According to its application, the Company seeks to amend its Certificate by expanding its area of operation to between points and places in Lexington, Richland, Kershaw, Newberry, Fairfield, Saluda, Aiken, and Orangeburg Counties to points and places in South Carolina. The Applicant published notice of its filing in *The State* newspaper on July 30, 2008. No parties intervened, and a hearing on the application was held on December 16, 2008, in the offices of the Commission.

At the hearing, the Applicant was represented by L.A. "Smokey" Brown, Esquire. Witnesses for the Applicant included Aneita Lewis, President of Minute Man, Hunter

¹ Minute Man was originally granted its Class E Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity by Commission Order No. 2004-308 (June 23, 2004).

Mathews, Vice President of Minute Man, and shipper witnesses Angela Blewer, a former licensed insurance agent, Greg Johnson, a realtor, and Henry Douglas Ghelken, Jr., a local merchandiser. The Office of Regulatory Staff (“ORS”) was represented by Jeff Nelson, Esquire, with Jonathan Teeter of ORS’s Transportation Department testifying.

During the hearing, Lewis and Mathews testified to the Company’s experience moving household goods and the desire to expand their business. Each also testified of their awareness of and intent to comply with the Commission’s regulations concerning household goods movers. Additionally, Lewis testified to Minute Man’s financial soundness to conduct business in the expanded territory. Shipper witnesses Blewer, Johnson, and Ghelken each testified to the need of additional movers in the proposed expanded territory. Teeter, testifying for ORS, stated that he found Minute Man’s application to be in order. Teeter additionally stated that he performed an inspection and found Applicant’s equipment to be acceptable.

The Commission also finds the application to be in order. Moreover, we conclude that the Applicant has demonstrated that it is fit, willing, and able to operate as a household goods mover between points and places in Lexington, Richland, Kershaw, Newberry, Fairfield, Saluda, Aiken, and Orangeburg Counties to points and places in South Carolina pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-330 (Supp. 2007) and 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-133 (Supp. 2007). Furthermore, we find that the public convenience and necessity is not already being served by existing authorized service. Therefore, the application of Minute Man Movers, LLC should be granted.

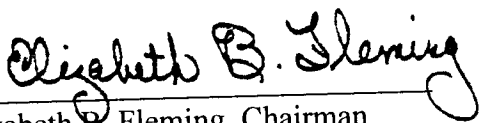
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The application of Minute Man Movers, LLC to expand the scope of its Class E (Household Goods) Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to include Lexington, Richland, Kershaw, Newberry, Fairfield, Saluda, Aiken, and Orangeburg Counties to points and places in South Carolina is approved.
2. The Applicant shall file with the Office of Regulatory Staff the proper insurance, safety rating, and other information required by S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-23-10 et. seq. (1976), as amended, and by 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-100 through 103-241 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations for Motor Carriers, as amended, and 23A S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 38-400 through 38-503 of the Department of Public Safety's Rules and Regulations for Motor Carriers, as amended, within sixty (60) days of the date of this Order, or within such additional time as may be authorized by the Commission.
3. Upon compliance with S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-23-10 et. seq. (1976), as amended, and the applicable Regulations for Motor Carriers, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. Vol. 26 (1976), as amended, a Certificate shall be issued by the Office of Regulatory Staff authorizing the motor carrier services granted herein.
4. Prior to compliance with the above-referenced requirements and receipt of a Certificate, the motor carrier services authorized by this Order shall not be provided.
5. Failure of the Applicant to either (1) complete the certification process by complying with the Office of Regulatory Staff requirements of causing to be filed with the Commission proof of appropriate insurance and an acceptable safety rating within sixty (60) days of the date of this Order or (2) to request and obtain from the Commission

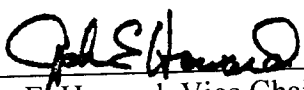
additional time to comply with the requirements of the Commission as stated above, may result in the authorization approved in the Order being revoked.

6. This order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Elizabeth B. Fleming, Chairman

ATTEST:


John E. Howard, Vice Chairman
(SEAL)